(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVILAVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) The details of scheduled airlines presently operating in the country alongwith number of aeroplanes in their fleet are as under:—

(1)Air India Ltd.-37, (2) Air India Charters Ltd.-07, (3) Indian Airlines-58, (4) Alliance Air-15, (5) Jet Airways-55, (6) Sahara Airlines-29, (7) Deccan Aviation (P) Ltd.-33, (8) Kingfisher Airlines Ltd.-15, (9) Spicejet Ltd.-6, (10) Paramount Airways Private Ltd.-2, (11) Blue Dart Aviation Ltd. (Cargo)-7, (12) Go Airlines (India) Pvt. Ltd.-3.

(b) Total 123000 passengers travel daily by air on an average.

(c) and (d) Improvement of passenger facilities is a continuous process and AAI has taken up the expansion and modification of Terminal Buildings, construction of new terminal buildings, expansion of aircraft parking stands, construction of new aircraft parking stands, improvement of car park, approach road etc. to meet the requirement of increased volume of air traffic at various airports in the country. The International airports at Delhi and Mumbai have been restructured through private sector participation for its modernisation through ATC operations continue to remain with Airports Authority of India and and security with Government. Apart from this, AAI has decided to modernize 35 selected non-metro airports to world-class standards.

Shortage of engineers with airlines

729. SHRI MOINUL HASSAN: Will the Minister of CIVILAVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Airlines have enough qualified engineers; and

(b) if not, whether Government are compromising with the questionable quality of aircraft maintenance procedures and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVILAVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.